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WORKS NEW GAME IN ART OF THEFT

Negro Charged With Stealing Everything in Houses on Sheer Nerve.

Edward T. Harris, colored, who is alleged to have originated a new trick in the art of helping himself to other people's property, was arrested yesterday by Policemen Moore, of Washington Ward, on two warrants, the first charging him with stealing all the household furniture, including bed clothing, refrigerator, stove range, four heaters, a dozen glasses and other odds and ends, from one Ernest Jones, Jones places the total value of his property at \$15. The second warrant charges that Harris, under the alias of E. Thomas Jackson, stole all the furniture and household goods belonging to J. E. Anderson. This property was valued at \$35.

Harris, it is alleged, originated the plan of driving in broad day to a house he had picked out, entering and removing all the furniture. Then he drove somewhere else and sold the stuff for a song, pocketing the proceeds against a rainy day. The rainy day came sooner than he expected, for he was arrested yesterday, and the money must go for lawyer's fees.

Part of the stolen furniture has been recovered by Detective-Sergeants Wren and Whitshire. They got a description of the alleged thief and sent out a general alarm for his arrest.

TRIBUTE TO MR. EPPS

Hustings Court is Adjourned in Respect to Deputy's Memory.

In respect to the memory of John E. Epps, Deputy City Sergeant, who died at 12:30 o'clock Sunday morning, the Hustings Court adjourned yesterday until 11 o'clock this morning, and all cases scheduled for trial were postponed.

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SAW FITZGERALD IN ALEXANDRIA

Toney Tells in Police Court of Movements of Alleged Defaulter.

According to the statement of a white man, named Albert Toney, in Police Court, Part 2 in South Richmond yesterday morning, Frank H. Fitzgerald, the man for whom the local police have offered a reward of \$100, and who has fled from a warrant on the charge of stealing from the firm of Kingston & Co., has been in Alexandria and Washington since his flight from Richmond. This agrees perfectly with the statements of several South Richmonders who assert that they saw and spoke to Fitzgerald in Washington last week.

Toney insisted that he had spent several days last week in close company with the hunted ex-convict in Alexandria, and that Fitzgerald had left that city for Washington. Fitzgerald, Toney said, did not seem to be in need of money when he saw him, and even showed him as much as \$500 in cash. He also said that Fitzgerald had some light on the matter of the Toney case, which is substantiated by the recent discovery that Fitzgerald had purchased as much as \$300 worth of jewelry from a single jeweler in this city before his departure.

Police on Track.

Intimate with the police, or rather the detective department is close on Fitzgerald's trail, and confidently expects to secure his arrest.

In the first statement since the discovery of Fitzgerald's alleged theft, the Kingston management yesterday shed some light on the matter of the Toney case, which is substantiated by the recent discovery that Fitzgerald had purchased as much as \$300 worth of jewelry from a single jeweler in this city before his departure.

Admitted Discrepancy.

An immediate investigation of the books showed that the payment of the account had not been entered by "F. H. Fitzgerald," and it seems as if he was not empowered to issue receipts at all, was not authorized to do so, confessed to the discrepancy which was but \$19, and asked that he be allowed to refund the money. The company, however, replied that his accounts would have to be investigated.

Helped Convicts.

Among other police sidelights that have cropped out since Fitzgerald's flight was his habit of giving clothes and other articles to nearly every white convict who has come out of the State Penitentiary in recent months. He also furnished Charles Morganfield, a sensational ex-convict, with a suit of civilian clothes on his recent release from the penitentiary, and many less notable inmates of the prison fared as well at his hands.

Will Unveil Tablet

Ceremonies at St. John's Church on March 22.

Several prominent Richmonders and Virginians speak on March 22 at the unveiling exercises of a tablet to Patrick Henry, which has been placed in Historic St. John's Church. Governor Mann will preside, while among the speakers will be Senator Charles A. Swanson, Lieutenant-Governor J. Taylor Riley, Congressman John Lamb and Mayor P. C. Bell. The presentation address will be delivered by Alden Bell of Carytown, and the tablet will be accepted in behalf of the church by Rev. R. A. Goodwin, the rector.

SEEK ENDOWMENT

Monumental Church Begins Campaign for \$50,000 Fund.

The vestry of Monumental Episcopal Church has launched a campaign to raise \$50,000 endowment fund for the perpetuation of the church and its work. It is believed that the interest from this fund will be sufficient to insure maintaining the structure in perpetuity.

This church stands upon the site of the old Richmond Theatre destroyed by a fire in which about sixty lives were lost. Members of the vestry will direct the campaign.

ASSESSED VALUES EXTREMELY LOW

On Personality They Are Only Half of Actual Values Six Years Ago.

WHEN THE GOVERNOR RAN

Executive Recalls War Scenes, Would Buy Farms in Virginia.

Dr. Douglas S. Freeman, of the State Tax Commission, who has been engaged in going over the personal property and realty valuations in the State for a period dating back as far as 1880, finds that since that year the value of real and personal property in Virginia has increased as follows:

Personal property in 1880 was assessed at \$70,251,000, but today its same property is assessed at \$178,926,000.

In 1880 real estate in Virginia was valued at \$251,212,000, while to-day the assessed realty valuation has increased to \$106,852,000.

Dr. Freeman explains that while on the face these figures would appear to be very satisfactory, that in reality they are not at all in proper keeping with the progress and wealth of the State. This is shown by the fact that the present assessed valuation of personal property in Virginia is only \$10,000,000 greater than the real value of personal property here in 1880, and that the assessed value of real property to-day is less than one-half of the known value of personal property here in 1901.

Very Small Valuation.

As regards the actual value of personal property, it is pointed out that in 1901, the last year for which figures are available, the estimates show a valuation of \$81,000,000. To-day the assessed value of personal property in Virginia is only \$10,000,000.

Dr. Freeman is of the opinion that the big question to be solved by the State Tax Commission when it assembles in its next meeting in April will be how to make assessed values in real and personal property in Virginia approximate more nearly their actual and true values. Dr. Freeman says the commission will go to great pains to adjust this problem, which means so vast an increase of revenue to the State Treasury.

MEMORIES OF WAR

Governor Recalls Two Humorous Happenings of Strife.

Recalling that the grandson of General Forrest, the noted Confederate leader, is to visit Richmond to-day, Governor Mann yesterday became reminiscent of some of the humorous happenings in which he had borne a part in the War Between the States.

The Governor told of being one of a party of five scouts selected to do dangerous duty around Petersburg, when the Confederates were investing the Union bastions, and of how the five horse men had started out in the night, being mistaken by the enemy for Fitz Lee's cavalry, and caused a stampede among Federal infantrymen, who fled by comparison.

"The funniest part about it," said the Governor, "is that if the Yankees hadn't run we would."

Pressed for Time.

The Governor recalled a second occasion, in which he, with four Confederates, on horseback, were being surrounded in a dwelling by a large detachment of Federal troops. The alarm was sounded just in time. As the Confederates left the building the Federals called upon them to halt. "You will pardon us, replied the ranking Confederate officer, "when we tell you that we are already a little late and that we haven't time to waste."

Want Virginia Farms.

F. I. Cornish of Chicago, E. Nordstrom, of White, Neb., and John S. Lozier, of Downers Grove, Ill., called at the Department of Agriculture yesterday and remained in consultation with Commissioner G. W. Kolner for an hour. The visitors said they were here in search of farming lands, more particularly such lands as were adapted to the cultivation of alfalfa. In the afternoon the visitors left Richmond, traveling into various sections of the State. It is the desire of one of the party to obtain a farm in Tidewater Virginia, while two of the men are looking for suitable places in the Piedmont district.

Approves School Site.

Joseph D. Eggleston, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, has made an inspection of the site of the proposed Sweeney public school building, which Ben P. Owen, secretary of the Governor, says is going to be built. Mr. Owen further says that the site approved by Mr. Eggleston is an ideal one of historic as well as landscape value. Mr. Owen points out the fact that the Sweeney school house, which is to be completed by next fall, will be perched upon breastworks thrown up during the Civil War. Mr. Owen has himself played upon these earthworks while yet a child. But this was many, many years ago.

Grave Is Marked.

A neat and appropriate headstone has been set up over the grave of Edward S. Brown, for many years colored janitor and assistant in the library of the Supreme Court of Appeals. The money for the memorial was contributed by attorneys practicing in the case, all of whom knew Brown well and esteemed him highly as a faithful and efficient library assistant. Brown died October 18, 1910. The burial was made in Evergreen Cemetery.

Money for Jurors.

Deputy Clerk Garland B. Taylor of the City Circuit Court, has available the money for the special Henrico jury fund, called at the last term. Members of the jury may call for their per diem allowances and traveling expenses.

Services at Forest Hill.

The Lenten services at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Forest Hill, are as follows: Tuesday's noon, Henry; Wednesday at 1:30 P. M.; Friday at 8:15 P. M.

MILITIA MEMBERS TRYING TO ENLIST

Regular Army Will Not Accept Those Who Belong to National Guard.

ASKS RAILROADS TO BID

General Sale Wants Prices for Movement of Officers to Texas.

Anxious for an opportunity to get to the scene of operations along the Mexican border, members of the Virginia Volunteers, most of them stationed in Richmond, though some have come from out of town, have made application for enlistment in the regular army at the offices of the United States recruiting station, 820 East Broad Street. None of these applicants will be accepted by Uncle Sam.

Lieutenant Fowler, in charge of the recruiting bureau, said yesterday that the men who wish to join the regular army must produce their discharge papers from the National Guard before they will be considered.

The number of applicants for enlistment here since the movement of the troops to Texas has slightly increased, but comparatively few are being accepted. About one of every six is passed by Lieutenant Fowler and his corps of assistants.

The men passed are sent to Fort Slocum, N. Y., where they must undergo rigid examination before they are enlisted.

All arms of the service are now open to recruits.

Go to San Antonio.

Nothing new developed yesterday in the forthcoming trip of the militia to the Texas frontier. Adjutant-General W. W. Sale received a telegram from Washington announcing that all Virginia officers would be assigned to the camp at San Antonio, but this was already known, having been contained in the original announcement made by the War Department, and published in The Times-Dispatch last Thursday.

Nothing is as yet known as to the time when the officers will be called to leave their home stations, although the order may come at any moment, or may be delayed a week or more.

General Sale has put himself in communication with several railroad companies to quote prices of transportation for officers traveling in parties of from twelve to twenty-five. General Sale has not been informed by what route his men are to travel, nor in what numbers they are expected to leave for Texas. It is probable that the officers will leave in bodies of from twenty to thirty, remain three weeks, and return, that a second detachment may follow.

SKIPWITH AGAIN BECOMES OFFICER

Elected Second Lieutenant of Company Which He Formerly Commanded.

At an election held by Company C, First Regiment, at the armory last night, George N. Skipwith, former captain of the company, was unanimously elected to the second lieutenantcy, and Second Lieutenant Samuel L. Harrison was chosen first lieutenant, to succeed H. P. Leverlay. Captain Charles M. Wallace presided over the election.

MINERS ARRESTED

Charge Made of Stealing from Trunk at Carbon Hill Mine.

Charged with stealing \$20 in cash and a gold watch and chain, valued at \$25, from the trunk of Jesse B. Russell, a miner employed at the Carbon Hill coal mines of the Old Dominion Development Company, John D. Smith and Charles M. Wallace were brought to the Henrico county jail last night. The two men were charged with the theft. Special Officer C. Garrett, who is with the Old Dominion Company, made the arrests.

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Charge Assault on Wife.

R. A. Hollender was arrested yesterday afternoon in Henrico county by Officer Tyler on a warrant alleging an assault upon his wife with a knife. The case will be heard to-morrow by Magistrate Ferguson.

Synagogue Held To-Night.

The proceeds to go towards the liquidation of the debt upon the synagogue. There will be a ball to-night in the Masonic Temple under the auspices of the congregation of Sir Moses Montefiore Synagogue. The annual celebration in honor of the Feast of Purim.

BOOS RALPH ROBERTS

Chamber Meeting To-Night Will Consider Proposed Road to Northern Neck.

SPEECHES ARE PLANNED

Residents of Section Affected Will Ask Richmond to Do Her Part.

Invitations were received yesterday morning by business men of the city urging them to attend the Chamber of Commerce smoker at the Jefferson Hotel to-night, when the question of the proposed railroad to the Northern Neck of Virginia, its importance and value to the city, will be considered and discussed by the leading citizens of both communities.

The program for speeches has been decided upon, seven prominent business men of the city will make short addresses.

C. M. Ward, who is promoting the new road, will explain the plan, and his speech will be augmented by the stereoscopic views showing the development of the country through which it will run. Among those from the Northern Neck who will attend the meeting are: Hon. Joseph W. Chinn, Senator Charles Harding Walker, Heathsville; Asa Rice, Heathsville; Captain J. C. Fisher, William Blundon and George N. Reed, Reddsville; Watt Mayo and S. Hardwick, the moreland; Thomas Downing, Lancaster; Samuel L. Saunders, Middlesex, and others.

Chamber Interested.

The meeting will be presided over by President Henry W. Wood, of the Chamber of Commerce. A concise statement of the status and advantages of the new road will be made by First Vice-President H. M. Cunningham, of the Chamber, who has been most active since Mr. Ward first made his proposition. The committee in charge of the smoker consists of J. F. Itland, Messrs. C. B. and G. Corley, John C. Freeman and Gordon W. Lewis.

Realizing that the Northern Neck is now really further from Richmond than it was before the war, when there was a stage line, the people of the city have been behind the railroad proposition and with the aid of the help of the business men of the city, are endeavoring to divert to Richmond the valuable trade that for years has been going to the markets of Baltimore.

Assured of Funds.

Through his efforts, extending over several years, Mr. Ward has succeeded in getting assurances of financial support that will insure the road if it is possible to get in this city subscriptions to stock amounting to \$150,000. The smoker will not be expended until after at least a part of the road is completed and actually operating trains. According to the plan proposed, one cent of the amount is to be available for use before the road has been completed as far as Tappahannock, and the rest when it has been run through to the Wicomic River.

Although no actual subscription paper has been circulated, several business men of the city have signified their intention to subscribe largely to the stock, and the prospects now are that a large part of the money needed will be raised before the smoker is over to-night. It is understood that the city will be some subscriptions of more than \$1,000. Everything points to an attendance as large as ever attended a Chamber of Commerce smoker on any occasion.

LICENSE TAX ASSESSMENT

List Is Completed by Council Committee on Finance.

The license tax assessment for the year was completed by the Council Committee on Finance last night, and as soon as the necessary lists can be made up will be certified to the Auditor and City Collector. A few minor complaints were heard last night, but in the main the assessment was along lines heretofore adopted, and there was but little opposition.

The committee did not go into any general business, but will meet on Tuesday night of next week to take up the papers referred by the Council, including ordinances reducing the license of the City Collector and the Commission of the Revenue and several other matters of general interest.

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ENGINEER TELLS HOW MISTAKES OCCURRED

Entire Hearing Consumed in Exhaustive Examination of Mr. Bolling—Counsel Present for Family of Jackson Bolton.

Little that was new was brought out at yesterday's sitting of the committee investigating the Burton charges against the City Engineer's office. City Engineer Bolling, on the stand for several hours, amplified and explained in detail a number of matters only briefly alluded to at a former meeting, including the changes in the printed form of specifications for sewer basins.

The question of the supply of dressed stone for street basins was discussed in some detail, and in the case of five sewers over which there is contention, Mr. Bolling was requested to make a personal inspection and report to the committee later just how many street basins were actually installed on these sewers. It was brought out that in many instances where sewers are laid in an annexed territory in advance of curbing and gutters, the brick stacks are erected and an iron grating placed over them, but the stone fittings are not installed until the curbing is laid. The plans showed that the sewer which was the original bone of contention and cause of Mr. Bolton's complaint, in an alley, and has on it no street basin and therefore required no stone fittings.

Bolling's Children Employ Counsel.

Mr. Bolton's children and Fulton appeared for Gordon Burton before Judge James W. Gordon appeared and asked leave to represent the family of former First Assistant City Engineer Jackson Bolton, which was granted. There were a large number of contractors present.

The committee rose to meet Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock, when the various contractors who have been accustomed to bid on sewers will give evidence.

Mr. Bolling was examined at length by Assistant City Attorney George Wayne Anderson as to alleged partiality in furnishing specifications and in the supply of stone to contractors for sewers. He explained that until last year all bids were given by the system, the city furnishing stone, cement and pipe, and told of the action of the Committee on Streets in authorizing an optional bid per linear foot. In order to equalize the bids by the two methods, the committee had planned on the sewer complete, Mr. Bolling explained that it was necessary to insert a clause in the printed specifications requiring bidders to furnish stone, and that, therefore, it was necessary to have two sets of specifications, one for either method of bidding.

Interfused by Mr. Bates.

Mr. Bolling said he had discussed the necessary changes in the specification forms with Mr. Bolton, the assistant engineer in charge of sewer work, and had directed Mr. Bates, a clerk in the office, to interline the forms. Mr. Bolling said that so far as he had examined them, all of the forms were interlined in Mr. Bates' handwriting, except some in his own hand.

It was not done to meet this particular sewer contract, but the change was ordered on all specifications used from that time on, he explained, and added that the contractors, after trying it, had abandoned the method of bidding per linear foot. New proposal forms have recently been printed, the city to furnish all stone, as before the duplicate method was authorized, all bids now being on the unit system.

Now Calling New Form.

"Then, if there was any partiality," asked Colonel Anderson, "it arose from one contractor getting an interlined form and another a plain one, not interlined?"

"Yes," answered Mr. Bolling. "But now all specifications have been changed and a printed form issued, so that there is no possibility of such a mistake occurring, unless by some accident an old specification form should be given out."

It Was Brought out by reference to maps and profiles that the sewer which was the basis of the Burton charges is in an alley between Park Avenue and Leonard Street, from West Street to the Rosemeath Road, the route showing no street basin requiring stone.

"But you asked for bids on street basins," said Mr. Bolton. "It is in every specification form, but the plan calls for no stone, and that item forms no component part of the tabulation to find the lowest bidder."

"But you had the right to change the plan and could have required me to put in street basins at the bid price," commented Mr. Bolton.

Errors in Calculations.

Mr. Bolling then went into a detailed account of the errors in calculation, which are admitted to have occurred, but which the City Engineer claims were corrected before Mr. Bolton's complaint to the Mayor. He told how the Committee on Streets opened the bids, placed them on the blackboard, and directed the Engineer to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder, the proposals being so marked for rock, earth and sand excavation, repaving and other items, requiring a calculation carrying out the totals by the calculated amounts to determine the whole.

Mr. Bolling said the lowest bidder on the job was the lowest bidder on the job. Mr. Bolton exhibited the original bid sheets of the sewer in question, which he said had been first brought to him by Mr. Bolton, the engineer in charge of

Stone Sewer Caps.

The attorney then went into a close examination of Mr. Bolton's on the subject of stone, bringing out that the city purchased last year twenty sets of street basin stone from I. J. Smith & Company, all of which could be accounted for on the books. He said that the contract said the city should furnish stone. The city also bought \$251 worth of stone from Fletcher & Kelley, mainly small stones and special cuttings to fill peculiar places. Mr. Bolling said that so far as he knew, none of the stone had been used by Fletcher & Kelley went to any contractor whose agreement required him and not the city to supply stone fittings.

Mr. Bolling said he did not know who had furnished stone to Maynard, Cheever, Van Doren and other bidders, if any one had. Mr. Bolton said it was his intention to call these contractors to testify whether they had ever been supplied with stone by the city when in fact their contract specified that they should themselves furnish it.

The committee then rose until to-morrow night at 7:30 o'clock, when the contractors will be called to the witness stand.

Judgment for \$50.

In the case of V. V. Sargent against E. A. Damsforth, tried yesterday in the City Circuit Court, for damages in the sum of \$500, verdict awarded by the jury was rendered for \$50. The controversy arose over the contract for a house erected in the West End.

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